

Articulation Agreement
Between
Miles City Community College (MCC) and Montana State University (MSU)

Overview:

This formal program articulation agreement is made and entered into by Miles Community College and Montana State University-Bozeman, hereinafter referred to as MCC and MSU, respectively. By this agreement, MCC and MSU express a shared commitment to increasing opportunities for student access to and success in education leading to baccalaureate degree programs.

Purpose:

This agreement allows students to pursue a baccalaureate degree at MSU by following course articulation agreement described herein. By completing the agreed upon curriculum program in Environmental Science- Environmental Science option at MCC, students can transfer to MSU and complete the Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science-Environmental Science option upon completion of the remaining degree requirements. Any MCC student who has completed the required coursework while adhering to the guidelines within this agreement is guaranteed the transfer of accepted designated major-related requirements into the MSU Environmental Science-Environmental Science option curriculum as described below.

Conditions of Transfer:

Section I: Admission and Matriculation:

MCC students maintaining continuous enrollment under this agreement will be afforded the same treatment and protection as traditionally enrolled MSU students under a specific catalog.

Criteria and requirements for acceptance into MSU will be the same for transfer students under this agreement as those for traditional transfer students and can be found at <https://www.montana.edu/admissions/apply/transfer.html>.

Students will use the Request for Transmittal of Admissions Materials to have their application and transcript sent from MCC to MSU and serve as the student's application to MSU. Students should also notify the Registrar's Office at MSU that they wish to have their credits applied as per this agreement.

Upon admission to MSU, transfer students from MCC will have access to student services, financial aid, and scholarships on the same basis as traditionally enrolled students.

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Upon admission to MSU, the same student conduct, academic progress, and graduation standards apply to MCC transfer students as those applicable to traditionally enrolled students.

Section II: Program Plan:

This curriculum plan was developed utilizing a course-by-course assessment. In some cases, the course will transfer as a direct equivalent and in other cases, the plan pre-approves specific course substitutions. Additionally, this agreement affirms that the core requirements of general education at MCC meet the general education core requirements at MSU in accordance with the Montana Board of Regents policy 301.10 - General Education Transfer Policy. Students transferring to MSU under this articulation program will be responsible for successfully completing all additional prescribed requirements per the MSU catalog under which the student enrolls.

Terms of Agreement:

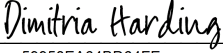
This agreement is made and entered into in the academic year 2026-2027 and remains in force for four years unless changed in writing by mutual agreement of both MCC and MSU. This agreement may be amended at any time with the agreement of both MCC and MSU and is subject to regular review to ensure the currency of course rubrics, course numbers, course prerequisites, and degree requirements. Should MCC or MSU desire to discontinue this articulation agreement, a one-academic year advance notice will be required.

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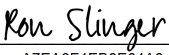
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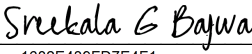
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MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY - DEPARTMENT OF LAND RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES Degree Requirements for a B. S. in Environmental Sciences - Environmental Science Option MSU 2025-2026 Catalog - MCC 2025-2026 Catalog			
<i>A minimum of 120 credits is required for graduation; at least 42 of these credits must be in courses numbered 300 & above.</i>			
ALL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS & THEIR PREREQUISITES MUST BE A GRADE OF C- OR BETTER			
Program Requirements			
MSU Requirement	Credits²	Courses to be Completed at MCC	Credits
Year One			
ENSC 110 - Land Resources & Environmental Sciences	3	NO SUBSTITUTION	
BIOB 170IN - Principles of Biological Diversity	4	BIOB 170 Principles of Bio Diversity & BIOB 171 Principles of Bio Diversity Lab	4
CHMY 141 - College Chemistry I & CHMY 142 - College Chemistry I Lab	4	CHMY 141 College Chemistry I & CHMY 142 College Chemistry I Lab	4
WRIT 101W - College Writing I	3	WRIT 101 College Writing I	3
BIOB 160 - Principles of Living Systems	4	BIOB 160 - Principles of Living Systems & BIOB 161 Principles of Living Systems Lab	4
CHMY 143 - College Chemistry II & CHMY 144 - College Chemistry II Lab	4	CHMY 143 College Chemistry II & CHMY 144 College Chemistry II Lab	4
M 161Q - Survey of Calculus	4	M 161 Survey of Calculus	4
MSU CORE¹	3	MCC Required Coursework³	3
Year 1 credits to be completed at MSU	3	Year 1 credits to be completed at MCC	26
TOTAL YEAR ONE CREDITS			29
Year Two			
ENSC 245 - Soils	3	ENSC 245 Soils	3
GPHY 284 - Intro to GIS Science & Cartography	3	GPHY 284 Intro to GIS Science & Cartography	3
STAT 216Q - Introduction to Statistics	3	STAT 216 Intro to Statistics	3
ENSC 210 - Role of Plants in the Environment	3	NO SUBSTITUTION	
ENSC 260 - Evolution for Environmental Scientists	3	NO SUBSTITUTION	
WRIT 201 - College Writing II	3	WRIT 201 College Writing II	3
PHSX 205 - College Physics I	4	PHSX 205 College Physics I & PHSX 206 College Physics I Lab	4

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MSU CORE¹	9	MCC Required Coursework³	9
Year 2 credits to be completed at MSU	6	Year 2 credits to be completed at MCC	25
TOTAL YEAR TWO CREDITS			31
Year Three			
ENSC 353 - Environmental Biogeochemistry	3		
BIOE 370 - General Ecology	3		
ENSC 311 - Fundamentals of Environmental Data Analysis	3		
MSU CORE¹	3	MCC Required Coursework³	3
Directed Electives⁴	18		
Year 3 credits to be completed at MSU	27	Year 3 credits to be completed at MCC	3
TOTAL YEAR THREE CREDITS			30
Year Four			
ENSC 444 - Watershed Hydrology	3		
Choose one of the following:	3		
EENV 387 - Environmental Laws and Regulations			
ENSC 407 - Environmental Risk Assessment			
GPHY 329 - Environment and Society			
GPHY 402 - Water and Society			
PSCI 449 - The Politics of Climate Change			
WILD 420 - Range & Wildlife Policy and Planning			
ENSC 499R - LRES Capstone	3		
Directed Electives⁴	21		
Year 4 credits to be completed at MSU	30	Year 4 credits to be completed at MCC	0
TOTAL YEAR FOUR CREDITS			30
Credit Summary			
Total Credits Completed with MCC			54
Total Upper Division Credits Completed			18
Minimum Directed Elective Credits that must be 300 or above			24
Total Credits Completed Towards Program Requirements			120

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¹ This agreement assumes that students have received an Associate of Arts or Science from MCC and therefore have met the general education (CORE 2.0) requirements at MSU, as such, the individual CORE courses are not delineated herein.

² The number of credits awarded for the course (or requirement) at MSU. Students will be granted the number of credits from the school at which the course is completed.

³ MCC Required Coursework may be Core General Education requirement or program-specific requirements to meet degree requirements for an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science at MCC.

⁴ A list of available Directed Electives is provided in the MSU catalog.